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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on September 13, 2001, please amend the patent application identified above as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

A package board having a core board on each surface of which a plurality of conductor circuits are formed with an interlaminar resin insulating layer therebetween, on an Icehip wherein a plurality of soldering pads are formed on-the-IC-chip mounted side surface, as well as on an other side surface as on the other side surface to be connected to another board, so that said soldering pads on the other side surface are larger than those on said IC chip side surface of said package board,

and

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168.08 dummy pattern for improving the mechanical strength of the package board is formed between signal line conductor circuit patterns formed on said IC chip mounted side surface of said core board.

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